

## **ABSTRACT**

A method and apparatus for reestablishing secured communication after a  
5 desynchronization event. Secured communication is established between a first device and a  
second device using synchronized device dependent sequence values. A security sequence value  
from the first device is stored, preferably on a nonvolatile medium. After a desynchronization  
event, the first device sends the stored security sequence value to the second device as a  
resynchronization request. The second device returns the stored security sequence value as  
security assurance, preferably with a security sequence value from the second device for  
resynchronization.